GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:800
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Jalgaon Airport
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has recently spent a huge amount to renovate the Jalgaon airport to facilitate the flight operations;

(b) if so, whether there is huge delay in operation of flights from the said airport and if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the steps taken to ensure immediate operation of flights from Jalgaon airport/Mumbai/Delhi and Pune;

(d) whether there have been any demands for using Jalgaon and Nanded airport for passenger and cargo services;

(e) if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of the Government thereto;

(f) whether there is any proposal to develop night landing and takeoff facility at Jalgaon and Nanded airports, if so, the details thereof; and

(g) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION

(Shri Jayant Sinha)

(a) : Yes, Madam. Airports Authority of India (AAI) has renovated the Jalgaon Airport to facilitate flight operations at a cost of Rs.57 crores.

(b) & (c) : Flight operations in domestic sector have been deregulated and the airlines are free to operate anywhere in the country subject to Route Dispersal Guidelines (RDG) issued by the Government. However, it is upto the airline operators to provide air services to specific places and the Airlines plan their flight schedule on a specific route/cities based on market demand, commercial viability and their company policy.

(d) & (e): The Nanded Airport belongs to the State Government of Maharashtra and no such proposal has been received from the State Government. Presently there is no scheduled flights to Jalgaon and no airlines has shown any interest to commence passenger or cargo service from/to this airport.

(f) : No, Madam.

(g) : Does not arise.